

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

[022] Thrust bearing portion 130 may include a conventional thrust bearing. A thrust bearing rotating washer 260 may be disposed adjacent a body portion bottom surface 270 in the assembled configuration. Thrust bearing portion 130 ~~[[120]]~~ may be adapted to provide rotation separation of the body portion 120 and a first washer 280 as described herein.

[023] Expandable portion 140 may be manufactured from a deformable material, such as rubber, and include a circular cross section. Expandable portion 140 may include a bore 285 formed therethrough. In the assembled configuration, expandable portion 140 may be disposed between a first washer 280 and a second washer 290. Preferably, first washer 280 has a larger diameter than expandable portion 140 and second washer 290 has a smaller diameter than expandable portion 140.

[024] Bolt 150 having left-handed threads 160 may be adapted to threadingly engage threaded top portion bore 170 in the assembled configuration. Bolt 150 may include a head 295 having a larger diameter than an inner diameter of second washer 290. A bore 350 is ~~may be~~ formed in bolt 150.

[025] In use, the radiator inlet adapter 100 may be assembled in the assembled configuration by sliding bolt 150 through second washer 290, expandable portion 140, first washer 280 and thrust bearing portion 130, respectively. Threaded portion 220 may next be threadingly engaged in body portion threaded bore 330 in such manner that left-handed threads 160 of bolt 150 are threadingly engageable to threaded top portion bore 170. In the assembled configuration, a space (not shown) may be disposed between hex portions ~~portion~~ 210 and 240. Hex portions 210 and 240 may be used for rotating body portion 120 and top portion 110.